Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What are those facts?

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty.—Are those facts confidential?

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—That he is the best claimant for the post, have the Government any facts to tell us how they arrived at their conclusion?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—I have already stated that apart from the answer contained in sub-division (3) that it is the opinion of the Government.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Did the Government consider only the academical qualifications?

Mr. President.—Please complete your question.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—I do not want to put that question.

Foot bridge—Kozhukully Village.

38. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have received requests from the inhabitants of the Kozhukully village for at least a foot bridge over the river there;

(2) whether they are aware of the great hardships the agriculturists of the place are put to on account of the difficulty of taking cattle to the fields, removing harvested crops, etc.,

(3) whether they are taking any steps to redress this grievance?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(1) Yes.

(2) The agriculturists have some inconveniences but there is another bridge not very far away.

(3) This will have to wait till finances improve and the roads on either side are formed.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know, Sir, which is the other bridge? Do the Government think that it is so close that people can carry head loads of paddy?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—It is two miles away. According to the cost report of the new bridge I do not think that the expense can be incurred for the use of a few agriculturists.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—What is the cost report?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.— About Rs. 16,000 for the road bridge.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—For the foot bridge?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—About Rs. 5,000.

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Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will a foot bridge at least be constructed this year?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—The foot bridge will be considered when the approach roads are formed.

Ayurvedic Dispensaries—Chalakudi Constituency.

39. **Mr. A. V. Moothedan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many Ayurvedic Dispensaries are there in the villages of Chalakkudi constituency;

(b) what is the average daily attendance at each of these dispensaries during last year?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(a) One.

(b) About nine.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—May I know where that dispensary is situated?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—At Kodakara.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—Are there not 15 villages? Will it be adequate for the 15 villages? Does the Government realise that?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—Yes, there are. When funds are available it will be opened.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—Do they propose to open a dispensary anywhere in the constituency?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—No.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon.—What is the annual expenditure for the dispensaries?

Mr. E. S. R. Menon.—Notice.

Panchayat Roads.

40. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total length of Panchayat roads in the State; and

(b) the total amount allotted by the Panchayat Department for the maintenance of these roads in 1110?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(a) About 700 miles.

(b) Rs. 32,178.

Panamkuttichira Tank.

41. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state;—

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